

## Young Blood Revives Ford

by Barbara Hagenburg

There are four new faculty members now teaching at Bishop Ford. They are Miss Purpura of the science dept., Mr. Jones of the social studies dept., Mr. Domingez of the language dept., and Mr. Cutrone of the phys. ed. dept.

Mr. Domingez, who teaches Spanish, is beginning his seventh year of teaching. Before teaching at Bishop Ford he taught in Spain and Puerto Rico. Outside of school he enjoys sailing, scuba diving and photography.

Miss Purpura was a graduate of Bishop Ford in 1982. She enjoyed attending high school here and was involved in such activities as drama club, volleyball team, NHS, and student government. She then went on to attend St. John's University in Queens. When asked why she became a teacher, she replied, "I was inspired to become a teacher during my senior year at Ford by Mr. Mingrone, my idol."

Mr. Cutrone is also a graduate of Bishop Ford; he graduated with the "Class of 81." He feels while he was here there were always a lot of ways to become involved in some way in the school. He was on the swimming team, **Highpoint**, yearbook, and track, just to name a few activities. He always wanted to teach and is glad to be back.

Mr. Jones is beginning his first year of teaching, as are Miss Purpura and Mr. Cutrone. He went to Harry S. Freeman High School. Besides teaching he enjoys drama and jazz. He also plays basketball at St. Francis College.

So far his first few weeks have been enjoyable, because he likes the friendly atmosphere at Bishop Ford.

## Pandemonium Reigns Supreme In Our Corridors

by Jill Hanson

Chaos reigns in the hallways during class changes. This chaos often causes students to arrive late for class. But this need not be.

Immediately before and after lunch periods it is almost impossible to get through the traffic near the cafeteria. If some students were directed to go through the schoolyard, much of this congestion could be alleviated.

All students polled on the topic of our congested hallways felt that it was a real problem. Joseph Repetti, 301: "People should stay to the right side of the halls and move as fast as possible in order to prevent confusion and lateness." Such an approach would obviously benefit both students and faculty. Camille Palumbo, 310: "If the person walking in front of one in the halls didn't come to a complete halt to talk to friends across the hall, it would be much easier to get to class." Chatting is nice, but blocking the hallways is simply unacceptable.

Simple procedures like the ones outlined above could go far toward alleviating our serious congestion problem here at Ford.

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## Students Contribute Time And Love At Mid-Hudson Valley Camp

by Joan Scotto

Beginning on June 29 until July 5, and beginning on August 17 until August 23, 1986, a group of Bishop Ford students accompanied Brother Damian and Brother Justin to Esopus, New York for a week at the Mid-Hudson Valley Camp for special children. These Ford students included: Laura Allen, John Comis, Felipe Pantoja, Liz Rollo, Anthony Scotto, Nelson Tung, Tara Walls, Mark Belli, Kathy Dolan, Colleen Gowell, Derek Rushton, Tanya Russell, Joan Scotto, Barbara Yacovello, Myra Zamora, and Steve Adegbite. However, not only Ford students visit this camp; students from Florida, Texas, New Jersey, and all over New York come to it.

The Mid-Hudson Valley Camp is run by the Marist Brothers, two of whom are Brother Tom Barton and Brother Leo Forrest. A lot of time and energy is put into making the week enjoyable for all the children. Taking

care of these children is a full-time job. It isn't easy. The camp allows parents a little time to themselves and at the same time a pleasurable experience for their children.

The day starts at 8:30 a.m. The counselors get the kids up and dressed; then, to breakfast. After breakfast is chapel, and after chapel the day really begins. It is filled with all kinds of games and activities (gym, arts and crafts, singing and dancing, bikes and skates, movies, walks, etc.) for everyone. After a long, hard day and the kids are put to bed, the counselors have some free time to relax before the next day begins.

The Mid-Hudson Valley Camp isn't just any camp—it's different, it's special. The amount of love that this camp brings together is unbelievable. The counselors and the kids share the common bonds of caring, loving, and friendship. When I asked Colleen Gowell what she thought about the camp, she replied,

"It was great; it's one experience I will never forget. Everyone gets so attached to these kids, and it's a terrific feeling." A response from Derek Rushton was, "WOW! It was a very, very fun and fulfilling experience." So, you see, friends, it isn't just I who think this camp is special; everyone who is a part of it knows it's special.

Brother Damian has a very distinct part to play in this camp. He is the one who drives the bus to and from Esopus and makes the ride very interesting and entertaining for everyone. When I asked Brother Damian for one word he thinks describes the camp, he replied, "**Surprising!**" It always amazes me how students you would never expect really get involved in things, such as the camp. Everyone starts out as a camper and a counselor, not knowing what to expect, but in the end everyone is sad to leave."

And this is what the camp is all about!

## LETTERS LETTERS LETTERS

HIGHPOINT welcomes  
Letters to the Editor  
from responsible individuals

## Top Ten Percent Awarded Academic Honors

by Gaetano Castellano

Bishop Ford Central Catholic High School's Second Annual Awards Night took place in the cafeteria beginning at 6:00 p.m. on October 2, 1986. Dinner was followed by remarks by Mr. Rocco Grella, Assistant Principal, and the presentation of the awards by Brother Michael Bettigole, O.S.F., Principal. Also presenting awards was Mr. Joseph Moran, chairperson of the board of trustees.

In addition to the students, a large turnout of faculty and parents and friends was obvious. At this year's Awards Night there were one hundred and seventy-three students who received awards, which is thirty more students receiving

awards than last year. Sixteen students received plaques for having a 95% average with no grade lower than a 90%; one hundred and fifty-seven students received either first honors or second honors awards.

The big winners of the night: (for the second time) Richard McManus received the highest grade average of his junior class, with a 98.91 average; (for the second time) Larry Callahan received the highest grade average in his sophomore class, with a 99.43% and, finally, Richella Fabian had the highest grade point average in her freshman class (98.14). All three students received plaques for their academic achievements.

## Twenty-Fifth Anniversary Observed By Falcons

by Barbara Yacovello

**Bishop Ford.** Okay, we all know the name, but do we know what he did? Most Bishop Ford students don't. Born in Brooklyn in 1892, Francis X. Ford joined the Maryknoll Missionary Society. In 1918 he was in the first group assigned to China. In 1935, he was the first Maryknoller to be ordained a bishop. While in China he was arrested by the communist government in 1950 and died in prison on February 21, 1952.

This year the 25th anniversary of Bishop Ford High School will be marked with a year-long celebration.

A major function planned for the anniversary celebration is the Bishop's Mass to be held on February 4. Bishop Magovero will say the mass which will be followed by a luncheon. The Bishop's presence at the mass is an honor for the Bishop Ford community.

Also planned is an alumni dinner-dance in April. All alumni are welcome and it should prove to be a great success.

In the athletic department, anniversary events have already begun. A volleyball tournament was held on Saturday, September 20. The team came in an impressive third out of eight teams. The Bishop Ford classic, involving our varsity basketball team, will be held on December 4, 5 and 6. The annual track meet in March will be dedicated to the 25th anniversary of the school. As of this writing, it is the last planned sports event to be held in honor of the anniversary.

The celebration will continue throughout the year. Tentative plans include a spirit week in which each of the five school days will foster an aspect of school spirit and heightened enthusiasm.

It is hoped that each student will make an effort to participate in the scheduled events.

Any student who has an idea for the 25th anniversary should go to the student activities office in the cafeteria or mention it to a student council member.

... Participate in ...  
Senior Hat and Tie Day  
November 19





## What Would Susan B. Anthony Say?

by Maria Summers

As always, rumors began early this school year and traveled very far. Word is out that a girl tried out for the soccer team. It is true.

Eileen Daly tried out for the soccer team and was cut. However, she was not the first girl who had ever tried out for the team. Then, how come all of this interest and attention is being given to the story?

Somehow, the truth about Eileen Daly's being cut from the team has been hidden. When some team members who had seen her play were asked what they thought about her skills, the comments varied. Everyone agreed that she was a bit too slow to keep up with "the guys," but some also added that she was better than a few of the new players who had been recruited. Suddenly, when word got out that an article was being written on the subject, some opinions began to change. Everyone began agreeing that the coach, Mr. Dilgen, had made the right decision, because Eileen was just not fit to play with the team.

The real question is, "Why was Eileen judged not fit to play with the team?" Eileen would not grant **Highpoint** an interview. Coach Dilgen, however, was very cooperative. The first question asked him was if he ever went to Mr. Nash to tell him that a girl was trying out for the team, since Mr. Nash had openly commented, "When Mr. Dilgen came to me and told me a girl was trying out, I told him I'm not too fond of the idea, but if you feel she is needed, it is up to you." Coach Dilgen denied ever going to Mr. Nash and speaking of the subject with him. He had heard from other sources that Mr. Nash knew of the situation.

Mr. Dilgen said he honestly feels that he had put Eileen on the team, Mr. Nash would not have gone against that decision; however, he would have received an awful lot of grief. Why would he have gotten grief if Mr. Nash said it was all right? Was Mr. Nash actually saying Coach Dilgen could do what he thought best, as long as it was what Mr. Nash wanted? Contradiction?

The coach would have taken Eileen on the team, but his main object was to take as many freshmen as possible, to build a strong team that will last a few years. Maybe some freshmen will last four years, but a sophomore can last three. Isn't that long enough? He also felt that the sport is too rough for a girl to play against boys. This is the only comment Mr. Nash and Coach Dilgen agree on.

If a person has the right to try out, shouldn't she have a fair chance at making it? If from the very beginning it was thought that the sport was too rough for a girl, why did they bother to let one try out? Is someone trying to show there is a more liberal attitude than there actually is? Why is everyone so afraid of causing trouble? Is the school afraid of change?

This year is the twenty-fifth anniversary of Ford. There is actually little to complain about regarding the way the school is run. One thing that must be realized, however, is that what was good twenty-five years ago may not be good today. Statements like: "Someone of the female sex will never be president of the student council because it has never happened in twenty-five years and will not happen now," or "It is fine for boys to go out on the field and go home with split lips, or requiring stitches, but not girls," are still accepted. All a girl has to do is fall down on the field, and automatically she is not fit to play a rough contact sport with boys. If she is willing to get hurt, why can't she?

The main thing of course is keeping the whole story quiet. Of course no one wants to start trouble. Everyone is making up stories so as not to cause a commotion. The irony is that no one story matches another. Coach Dilgen and Mr. Nash can't agree on whether they spoke together or not, some players on the team can't stay with the same story for more than one day, and Eileen isn't even sure about the reason for her having been cut.

Why not stand up for one's rights? If Martin Luther King, Jr. hadn't stood up for his, there would still be segregation. If Joan of Arc hadn't stood up for her's, would there be freedom in France? Definitely these people were hated by many, but if they hadn't followed their beliefs, how could they have called themselves believers? There is bound to be trouble if change is to occur.

The soccer team may be trying to protect the coach by changing stories, showing that he made the right decision. This is very noble, but if there is nothing to hide, nothing that will make anyone look bad, why is everyone so afraid of letting it out? What is being hidden? After a long week of interviews, the answer is still not known.

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Annual Thanksgiving Canned Food Drive  
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Scholastic Aptitude Test  
November 1

## Thespian Review

by Dayann Molina

A 1959 drama has made an exciting comeback.

**A Raisin in the Sun**, by famous black-American playwright Lorraine Hansberry, tells the story of a black family's conflicts in trying to fulfill their dreams and maintain their family honor in a society in which white supremacy and segregation laws often overcome their chances of getting ahead. Some very well-known actors are featured in the play, including Vondie Curtis (also seen in **Dreamgirls**, **The Wiz**, and "Ryan's Hope"), Starletta DuPois (seen in "Hill Street Blues," "St. Elsewhere," "Falconcrest," "Knots Landing," and **Pee Wee's Big Adventure**, to name a few), James Pickens, Jr. and Olivia Cole.

Free-flowing dialogue, costumes in sync with the era, and genuine dramatic impact all help to make the play as great as it always has been. The scenery and props allow the play to be as true-to-life as possible. "There is no danger the audience will leave not enriched," said the **New York Times**.

When students who had been to the play were asked how they felt about it, they responded: "I loved it. It was excellent. It was realistic." — Grecia Nicomedez (210).

"It was very interesting; the actors played their parts well." — Lynn Ketelsen (208).

"(The play) was good. The funniest part was when Beneatha tried to trace her African heritage." — Lekisha Sharpe (213).

"It was good. . . I'd go see it again if I had the chance." — Margaret Murphy (210).

"The play was moving . . . (My favorite part was) the ending." — Charlene Hatton (207).

**A Raisin in the Sun** is now playing at the Roundabout Theater at 100 East 17th Street in Manhattan. For information, call (212) 420-1360.

## Pow! Shazam! Zap!?!\$★

by Peter O'Keeffe

D.C. and Marvel are at war! They are both competing and putting out more and more new, limited and regular titles each month. It began twenty-five years ago when D.C. was a quarter of a century old and Marvel was born. Then came "Secret Wars" when Marvel was almost twenty-five and D.C. nearly fifty. D.C. ran a twelve-issue series, "Crisis on Infinite Earth," to compete with "Secret Wars." Both companies, starting with Marvel, ran index- and encyclopedia-like comics to explain their characters and their his-

## K-H-A-D-A-F-F-I SPELLS TERRORISM

by Matthew Malone

If you had a crossword puzzle, and it asked for an eight-letter word for terrorism, an appropriate answer would be **Khadafi**. Muammar Khadafi and his so-called third world country (Lybia) is nothing less than a giant training school for terrorism, just waiting to graduate more terrorists and set them loose on the free nations of the world.

Since 1983 there have been no fewer than twenty Lybian-related terrorist attacks in places such as Zaire, Sudan, Tanzania, Saudi Arabia, Israel, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Greece, Cyprus, Kuwait, Great Britain, Canada, and our very own United States of America. These are the countries that Lybia directly made terrorist attacks on, but there are many other countries where terrorist's and terrorist groups are supported financially by Khadafi, such as Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Columbia, Argentina, Uruguay, Chile, Peru, Uganda, Chad, Niger, Thailand, Indonesia, the Philippines, Iran, Turkey, Italy, Ireland, France, Spain, Belgium and Germany. I have just named thirty-five countries that have either been attacked by the terrorism of Khadafi, or Khadafi has supported terrorism in the countries financially.

The United States in March of '86 defended itself in the Gulf of Sidra against Lybian aircraft and ships. Several aircraft and ships were destroyed by the U.S. in retaliation for the Lybian attack.

In April of '86 the U.S. again responded to the terrorist acts of Lybia by destroying two terrorist barracks, two major terrorist air fields, and a major training camp for Lybian commandos. These strikes on Lybia were very damaging, but the damage was only temporary.

Lybia is a terrorist country led by a terrorist, and they will not give up their terrorist ways because of a few raids on their bases. The people of the free world should "wake up and smell the coffee." The only way to stop terrorism is to get rid of people like Khadafi and to take charge of so-called countries like Lybia. If the fourteen major countries that have been terrorized by the "Duce of the Desert" (Muammar Khadafi), including the United States, cannot handle these terrorist acts, God help the rest of the free nations who have not yet been subjected to Khadafi's reign of terror.

## The Fault Lies With Ourselves

by Richard McManus

The remarks are heard left and right, "They won because they are popular" or "The only reason they ran was for the honor of being in a governmental position." And once again our governmental officials receive a brutal beating from the constituents. The above statements may be true, but within those elected officials is also the desire to show initiative and get things done.

So, why don't they? They don't accomplish many things because of the lack of initiative on the part of the student body itself. If the students who seldom approach a government official to comment or make suggestions on school policy, no matter how visible that official makes himself to his constituents. Furthermore, when a student government program has gotten the approval of the administration, there are few students who will support that program, be it a dance, party, or other event, and it is this support (or lack of it) that makes an event successful or not, thus reflecting the quality of the elected official who coordinated the event.

One must remember that the elected officials are in office to represent the student body, and if this same student body does not take part in the governmental process, the lack of action of that office should not be seen as a reflection of the student there, but should be seen as a reflection of the feelings and actions of the student body as a whole.

The student government is there for the students and is only as effective as the student body wants it to be. So, the next time you have a comment to make about student government, maybe you should ask yourself, "What have I done?"

Those who are interested in making student government work, see Mr. Campanero for the names and homerooms of your representatives.

tories in detail. But now these two top companies are reshaping and redefining their comic books. Marvel is using new characters in "New Universe," a different line of comics because, instead of bringing the fantastic to life, it is bringing life to the fantastic. The only fictitious elements in this line of books are super powers. Otherwise the plots take place in environments of our own, with no unstable molecules and other non-existent material. D.C. is taking their old heroes, beginning with Batman, Superman, and Wonder Woman, and redefining and reshaping

them. Superman is born again and his origin retold with a few new twists but the same characters. D.C.'s purpose: to make their comics more interesting for the smaller yet more demanding audience of today's mags. Both companies are using the same method in different ways in order to win over more readers. D.C. is the better choice; their new stories about old heroes are cleaner and more enjoyable than "New Universe" books. However, Marvel has other lines of comics, like Star and Epic, which dwarf D.C.'s more regular titles.



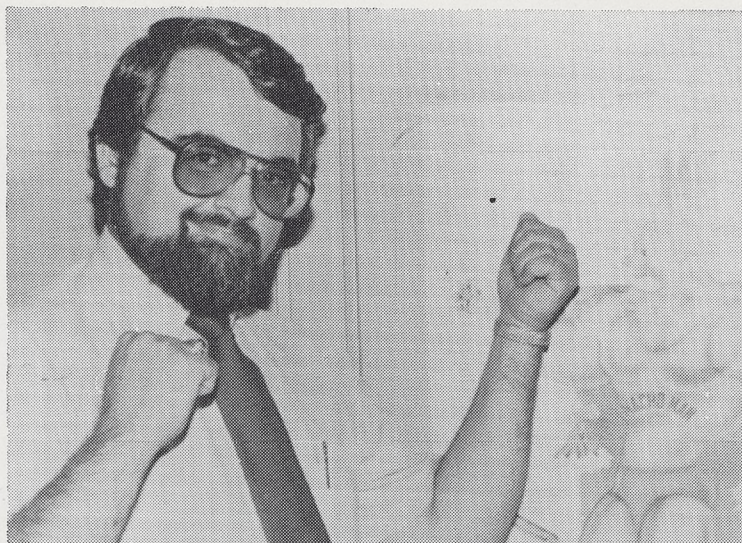


# Faculty Focus: Mr. Joseph Campanero

by Richard Szkodzinski

Just what does Joe Campanero do at Ford? Mr. Campanero started working at Ford in 1969 as a social studies teacher. In 1976 he became department chairman. From 1981 to the present he has been the student activities director. He is also the advisor of the student council.

Mr. Campanero says he is happy with Ford's development. He is happy to see so many social events planned and executed by Bishop Ford students. Although in recent years student participation in events has not been up to par, this year promises to be the greatest with the help of the senior class. Mr. Campanero's proudest achievement at



Mr. Cafeteria

Ford is the annual dance-a-thon. He remarked, "I'm glad to see students come together for a good cause."

Joe Campanero's most embarrassing moment came when he was moderator of **Pagoda**. In 1972 the chief editor substituted a **Playboy** cartoon for a picture. Poor Mr. Campanero had to white-out the cartoon in each and every

copy of the yearbook.

Finally, I asked him the big question: "Why do you wear those plaid pants?" His reply was, "This is a bum rap! Plaid is preppy, it's part of the golfer's set. I like to play golf after school and don't feel like changing."

This is Joe Campanero, the little man behind the big scene.

# Drink, Drive and Die

by Chris Mari

Most people do not worry about driving after having had a few beers. They think it's nothing to worry about. But it is. Even a few beers can slow your reflexes for a split-second. That split-second could be the end of a life, even your own.

In the U.S. alone, most car accidents are the result of drunk driving. The death rate runs into thousands a year.

My favorite line from drunk drivers is, "I didn't know what I was doing; I was drunk." But they did know enough to put the garbage into their systems. What a joke. Men, women and even children are killed, and they try to say it wasn't their fault.

Now you know the consequences. Lots of students here at Ford are taking driver's education and if you get any bright ideas about drinking and driving, think of this: the five-year-old in the back seat of a car whom you just might kill while doing 90 through an intersection. You'll pay for that. It's guaranteed.

## Student Government:

## The Bridge Between Ideas And Action

Student government is the bridge between the student body and the faculty. When elected last year, Al Caches and Chris Paido became in part this bridge which is so important to communication and vital toward getting things done. So in order to get things done, Al and Chris need you, the students, to voice your opinions and ideas regarding what you would like to see happen at school this year.

The president and vice president are backed by an able student council which consists of class presidents, presidential advisors and homeroom representatives. Chris and Al will be working closely with Presidential Advisors Rich McManus, Raphael George, Anthoney Persons, Rob Leopoldi, Heather Bowen, Colleen Gowell, Teresa De Jesus and Senior Class President Barbara Yacovello to make things work. This is not a promise that all demands will be met, but only that the student council will try their best.

The convention last year was a great success, mostly because of the help of Mr. Campanero, who plays a large role in student activities.

Mr. Campanero is always there to help and advise members of the council when they're making decisions. Mr. Campanero plays an important part in the interaction between the students and the faculty, which should not go unrecognized.

As President of the Student Council, Al is looking forward to a happy and prosperous year at Bishop Ford. Al addresses this to all the students at Bishop Ford: If there are any questions, feel free to stop and ask Al or Chris or any other members of the student council, or drop a message in Mr. Campanero's office, and it will be given to them.



Create a caption for this photograph and have it printed in the next issue of **HIGHPOINT**.

## Student Spotlight:

## BARBARA YACOVELLO

by Joan Barrett

Barbara Yacovello is the new senior class president. She is definitely qualified. Her many activities include: National Honor Society, yearbook, **Highpoint**, Senior Leader, Ford in Action and Community Service. She is also in charge of the senior activities committee. Along with all this, Barbara has danced in the MDA Dance-a-thon and has worked on the Special Olympics for the last two years. She plans to participate in these again this year. This summer Barbara attended the Mid-Hudson Valley Camp in Esopus, New York. There she worked with special children. She really enjoyed it.

All Barbara's friends know she's pushy and loud. She is constantly trying to recruit people for school activities. In response to this, she said, "If I weren't so pushy and vocal, many people wouldn't

become involved." This is perfectly true.

Next year Barbara hopes to attend N.Y.U. She does not see her position as senior class president as a stepping stone for a future in politics. She said, "This is as far as it goes; I really hope I can do something to help the senior class."

Not much is different for Barbara now she is president. To prove this point, Barbara commented, "If I hadn't won the election, I would still be doing the same things I'm doing now, except now I have a title."

Barbara worked with the senior activities committee to organize the senior halloween party and prepare for graduation. It's a lot of work, but she feels she's prepared for the task.

Barbara can and will do the job. A better senior class president could not have been elected.

Join the Great American  
Smokeout: November 20

## The Making Of A President 1986

by Matthew Malone

This year we welcome to the school's political arena Alex Caches, our new student body president. Alex, besides maintaining his impressive grades, is involved in many school activities, such as the drama club, the special olympics, the March of Dimes Walkathon, and P.I.C. (Personal Involvement in Christ). Alex also participates in intramural sports, such as hockey, weightlifting, and (his favorite sport) football.

Alex has been playing football for the past eleven years; during six of them he has been captain of the team. Alex is now playing for the Rockne Juniors and is looking forward to a successful season.

Alex says his biggest regret is not being able to spend more time on and become more involved in school activities. But his part time job takes up a lot of his time after school.

The projects that Alex is working on to improve the school are more school dances, walkmans in the cafeteria, more dress-down days, newspapers at Falcon's corner, and more charity fund raisers. Alex says, since this is the twenty-fifth anniversary of Bishop Ford, he will try his best to make it the best year ever.

I personally would like to wish Alex luck this year, because he certainly has his hands full.

## A Minute With Senior... ED COLGAN

by Julie Garafalo

This interview is with senior Eddie Colgan.

Julie: What is your favorite subject this year?

Ed: Biology, because I like the subject itself, plus my friends (Ted, Jesse) are in the class.

Julie: What are your plans for the future?

Ed: I intend to go to Brooklyn College and study either law or political science.

Julie: What activities are you currently involved in here

at Ford?

Ed: The Foreign Language Club, **Pagoda**, and **Highpoint**.

Julie: Tell us about your recent surgery.

Ed: During the summer I was operated on for a shoulder problem.

Julie: How do you feel about losing the election last year for student council?

Ed: I have no hard feelings because I know many of the people who were elected, and I know they will work hard for the students.

Take pride in your school

## HIGHPOINT

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Students interested in joining the **HIGHPOINT** staff should see Editor-in-Chief Gaetano Castellano, 403.





The National Honor Society is again sponsoring the 3 mile Fun Run. It will be held on Wednesday, November 5, at 1:45 p.m. in Prospect Park. Registration will be in the cafeteria from October 27 to November 4.

## What Ever Happened To: Life, Liberty And The Pursuit Of Happiness?

by Joan Barrett

Today in the United States, teenage privileges seem to be becoming extinct. Right here at Bishop Ford our privileges seem few.

Why can't we listen to walkmans in the cafeteria? It might solve some of the crowd problems.

Why does Ford now have midterm exams? Why weren't the students asked how they felt about this before the system went into effect? After all, we are the ones who must take these tests. Even though they may be beneficial to us all, we should have been asked for our opinion.

Teenage privileges are also limited outside of school. The new drinking law prohibiting the use of alcohol until the age of twenty-one is affecting all teens. It's very unfair. Why must all teens suffer because a few feel the need to show off how well they can operate under the influence of alcohol? It is punishment for those of us who are responsible people. Teen car accidents often involve drugs as well as alcohol. Teens are also the least experienced drivers on the road. This could be in part the reason for the high number of accidents.

Has this new drinking law made a difference? No, not much. If anything, it's invited teens to turn to drugs. It's sad. It's easier for a teenager to buy drugs than it is to buy an alcoholic beverage. Teens now roam the streets aimlessly at night out of a lack of things to do. Teens can no longer get into dance clubs without I.D.'s. What does society expect teens to do? How many movies can a person see? The big nights out are supposed to consist of bowling and miniature golf. There isn't much else to do.

Maybe a better solution to the drinking problem would be to set up the S.A.D.D. (Students Against Driving Drunk) and encourage more people to join. It should be a law for all teens who drive to sign the contract not to drive while under the influence of alcohol. If the contract is broken, the license should be suspended.

## An Emmy Award For . . .

### MR. PROVENZA

by Barbara Hagenburg

Mr. Provenza has just completed a Christian rock album called "God is Alive," which was co-written, arranged and produced by Frank Buonadonna who is the owner of Network Sound Studios in Gravesend, N.Y. To his credit he has engineered and been the assistant producer of "Disciple," who at present have a video out on U68. He has also produced dance records with Man Parish.

The concept for the recording originated two and a half years ago when Mr. Provenza met Mr. Buonadonna for the first time at his studio while doing a demo record. Mr. Provenza started writing Christian music while attend-

ing Brooklyn College. He chose Christian music because of certain events in his life. Three years ago he was asked to write a song for a Christian radio show. After the song was performed, friends urged him to continue using his writing and singing talents.

Six months after meeting Mr. Buonadonna, he was offered a record deal. However, the production of the album was delayed several times because of personal commitments. Finally, in February of 1986, he began intense recording until the final mixes were completed. The album was finally finished in August. Everyone wishes him good luck and great success.

## Swimming To Victory

by Barbara Yacovello

On October 6, the Bishop Ford swimming team started its season with high spirits and hopes for the year. Coaching this year are Brother Damian, Miss Casazzone and new faculty member Mr. Cutrone.

In last year's season the team did very well, so well, in fact, that they rank in the first of four divisions. The team consists of thirty-nine members who compete in the freshman and/or varsity seasons (when the freshman season ends in mid-November, those swimmers are able to join the varsity team).

Brother Damian used the words "enthusiastic" and "promising" to describe the swimmers. Senior Jimmy Shashaty, who holds two individual and two relay records, had this to say about the new season: "We've got a good, strong team. We have a chance to be the division champs." John Mackay, also a senior, feels that as a result of last year's swimming season, this team will have "more spirit and be more competitive."

The swimming team is not the most celebrated team in the school. Kevin Cottingham, a four-year member of the team, feels that the team's "past and present accomplishments have not been fully recognized."

Their practices are one-and-a-half hours a day, twice a week, but some feel that is not enough. Ann Quintero suggests that "the school should find more pool time."

A close-knit group, the swimmers know that an individual victory is a team victory. A hope echoed throughout the team is to win the division this season. This team has the energy and the dedication to make this hope a reality.

## Sportlight:

## TOM McFEE

by Barbara Yacovello

Tom McFee, a senior at Ford, is a former member of the freshmen and junior varsity basketball teams and is now a forward in his second varsity season. Tom has been playing basketball since fourth grade and hopes to continue playing in college, perhaps on a scholarship.

Tom, who is considering a career in law, has opted to take classes in criminology and business law. He is as yet undecided as to which college he will attend.

Community service is another course which Tom has chosen. This class requires three hours of service a week. Tom spends this time on Saturdays at St. Rose parish where he assists in running a basketball clinic. Tom told me, "I enjoy sharing my knowledge of basketball with the kids at St. Rose." In last year's season, Tom coached the novice St. Rose team to championship status.

During the summer, Tom played for a softball league and worked full time. He is still working part time while maintaining his grades and attending rigorous basketball



Board-banger McFee

practice. Tom includes among his hobbies miniature golf and volleyball; he was a member of the volleyball club in his junior year.

This year Tom would like to "dominate the league with my tremendous athletic ability." If this seems a bit conceited, it is helpful to know that Tom has a very dry sense of humor and is really very much a team player. Tom hopes that in this, the year in which Ford plans to crush the competition, more of his classmates and friends will "come down and be a part of our championship season."

## Do We See A Volleyball Championship In Our Crystal Ball?

by Heather Bowen

Can they do it again? This is the question being asked about the Bishop Ford girls' varsity volleyball team. In the 1985 season, Coach Patti Moffatt led her team to victory in the Brooklyn-Queens Champs. The girls finished their first-place season with twelve wins and two losses. This year the team looks very promising with two new captains, Kathy Dolan and Valerie St. Rose. Maria Gnerre and Debbie Alexis are also senior members. The girls are going to have to work hard to

make up for the loss of the five seniors of last season, but they look willing and eager to start the 1986 season. This season the girls will face the same competitive schedule as last year, plus an additional five non-league games.

Bishop Ford High School sponsored its second annual volleyball tournament on Saturday, Sept. 20. Bishop Ford finished in third place. Their first home game was on Friday, October 3 at 3:45. Coach Moffatt and her team love to see their fans come to cheer them on.

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